

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**CORRECTED
FISCAL NOTE**

HB 1415 - SB 1619

February 19, 2014

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires any person, prior to employment with the Tennessee Corrections Institute (TCI), to submit to a criminal history background check. The prospective employee is required to supply a fingerprint sample. The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) is required to conduct the background check. TBI is authorized to contract with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, other law enforcement agencies, or any other legally authorized entity to assist in conducting such criminal history background checks. The TCI is required to pay the cost of conducting such background checks. The results of any such background check are confidential.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

On February 4, 2014, a fiscal note was issued estimating a fiscal impact as follows:

Increase State Expenditures - \$100/TCI

Upon further review and discussion with the Department of Commerce and Insurance, it was determined that the fiscal impact was not accurately reflected. The estimated fiscal impact is:

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Other Fiscal Impact – The TCI will incur additional expenses of approximately \$100 annually as a result of the bill. According to the Department of Commerce and Insurance, any increase in expenditures to perform the background checks can be accommodated within the existing resources of the department without an increase appropriation or reduced reversion as a result of the bill.

Assumptions:

- The cost for TBI to conduct or contract out a background history check is \$42 each.
- According to the Department of Commerce and Insurance, the Department estimates that 2 background checks will need to be made annually.
- TCI can afford the cost of 2 background checks, within existing resources.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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